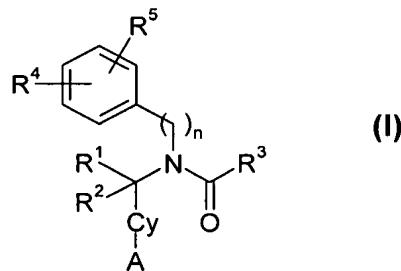


IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Withdrawn – Currently Amended): A method of treating or preventing at least one disease selected from the group consisting of diabetes type II, obesity, and appetite regulation, in a subject in need thereof, comprising administering at least one aryl dicarboxamide of formula (I):



as well as its geometrical isomers, its optically active forms as enantiomers, diastereomers and its racemate forms, as well as pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

A is an aminocarbonyl moiety of the formula  $-\text{CO-NHR}^6$ , wherein  $\text{R}^6$  is  $\text{C}_6\text{-C}_{15}\text{-alkyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{15}\text{-alkenyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{15}\text{-alkynyl}$ , a 3-8 membered cycloalkyl,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl}$  (3-8 membered cycloalkyl, a phenyl group attached directly or through an alkylene group,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_{12}\text{-alkyl}$  phenyl,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl}$  phenyl, or  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyl}$  phenyl a phenyl-phenoxy group or an octyl group;

Cy is an aryl, heteroaryl, aryl-heteroaryl, heteroaryl-aryl, aryl-aryl, cycloalkyl or heterocycle group a phenyl group or a thiazole-phenyl group;

n is either 0 or 1;

$\text{R}^1$  and  $\text{R}^2$  are independently from each other selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl}$ ;

$\text{R}^3$  is selected from the group consisting of:  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy}$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl amine}$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl alkoxy}$ , aryl, heteroaryl, saturated or unsaturated 3-8 membered cycloalkyl, unsaturated 3-8 membered cycloalkyl, 3-8 membered

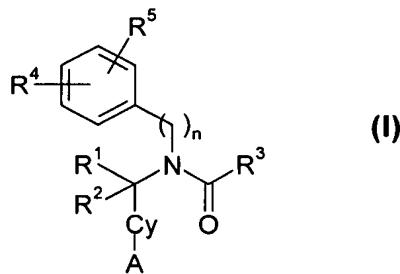
~~heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl aryl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl heteroaryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl aryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl heteroaryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl aryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl heteroaryl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl cycloalkyl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl cycloalkyl, and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl heterocycloalkyl~~ (i) an alkyl group optionally substituted with an amino group, or (ii) a cyclopentyl group, a cyclohexyl group, a phenyl group, or a pyridyl group, attached directly or through an alkylene group or an oxo group, and optionally substituted with a cyano group or a fluoromethyl group;

R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are each independently from each other selected from the group consisting of H, ~~hydroxy, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, carboxy, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl carboxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkenyl carboxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkynyl carboxy, and amino, or R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> may form an unsaturated or saturated heterocyclic ring, whereby at least one of R<sup>4</sup> or R<sup>5</sup> is not a hydrogen or C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl~~ OH, COOH, and OCH<sub>2</sub>COOH;

to the subject in an amount sufficient to treat or prevent the at least one disease.

Claim 2 (Withdrawn): The method of claim 1, wherein the method is a method of treating.

Claim 3 (Withdrawn – Currently Amended): A method of treating or preventing at least one disease selected from the group consisting of diabetes, inadequate glucose tolerance, hyperlipidemia, hypertriglyceridemia, hypercholesterolemia, and polycystic ovary syndrome, in a subject in need thereof, comprising, administering at least one aryl dicarboxamide of formula (I):



as well as its geometrical isomers, its optically active forms as enantiomers, diastereomers and its racemate forms, as well as pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

A is an aminocarbonyl moiety of the formula  $-\text{CO-NHR}^6$ , wherein  $\text{R}^6$  is  $\text{C}_6\text{-C}_{15}\text{-alkyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{15}\text{-alkenyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{15}\text{-alkynyl}$ , a 3-8 membered cycloalkyl,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl}$  (3-8 membered) cycloalkyl, a phenyl group attached directly or through an alkylene group,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_{12}\text{-alkyl}$  phenyl,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl}$  phenyl, or  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyl}$  phenyl a phenyl-phenoxy group, or an octyl group;

Cy is an aryl, heteroaryl, aryl-heteroaryl, heteroaryl-aryl, aryl-aryl, cycloalkyl or heterocycle group a phenyl group or a thiazole-phenyl group;

n is either 0 or 1;

$\text{R}^1$  and  $\text{R}^2$  are independently from each other selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl}$ ;

$\text{R}^3$  is selected from the group consisting of:  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkoxy}$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl amine}$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl alkoxy}$ , aryl, heteroaryl, saturated 3-8 membered cycloalkyl, unsaturated 3-8 membered cycloalkyl, 3-8 membered heterocycloalkyl,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl aryl}$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl heteroaryl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl aryl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl heteroaryl}$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl cycloalkyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl heterocycloalkyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyl cycloalkyl}$ , and  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyl heterocycloalkyl}$  (i) an alkyl group optionally substituted with an amino group, or (ii) a cyclopentyl group, a cyclohexyl group, a phenyl group, or a pyridyl

group, attached directly or through an alkylene group or an oxo group, and optionally substituted with a cyano group or a fluoromethyl group;

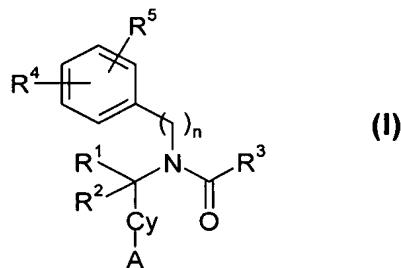
~~R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are each independently from each other selected from the group consisting of H, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, carboxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl carboxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkenyl carboxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkynyl carboxy, and amino, or R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> may form an unsaturated or saturated heterocyclic ring, whereby at least one of R<sup>4</sup> or R<sup>5</sup> is not a hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylOH, COOH, and OCH<sub>2</sub>COOH;~~

to the subject in an amount sufficient to treat or prevent the at least one disease.

Claim 4 (Withdrawn): The method of claim 3, wherein the method is a method of treating.

Claim 5 (Canceled).

Claim 6 (Withdrawn – Currently Amended): A method of treating or preventing at least one metabolic disorder mediated by insulin resistance or hyperglycemia, in a subject in need thereof, comprising, administering at least one aryl dicarboxamide of formula (I):



as well as its geometrical isomers, its optically active forms as enantiomers, diastereomers and its racemate forms, as well as pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

A is an aminocarbonyl moiety of the formula -CO-NHR<sup>6</sup>, wherein R<sup>6</sup> is C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>15</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>15</sub>-alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>15</sub>-alkynyl, a 3-8 membered cycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl (3-8 membered)

cycloalkyl, a phenyl group attached directly or through an alkylene group, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>-alkyl  
phenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl phenyl, or C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl phenyl a phenyl-phenoxy group, or an octyl  
group;

Cy is an aryl, heteroaryl, aryl-heteroaryl, heteroaryl-aryl, aryl-aryl, cycloalkyl or  
heterocycle group a phenyl group or a thiazole-phenyl group;

n is either 0 or 1;

R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> are independently from each other selected from the group consisting of  
hydrogen and C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl;

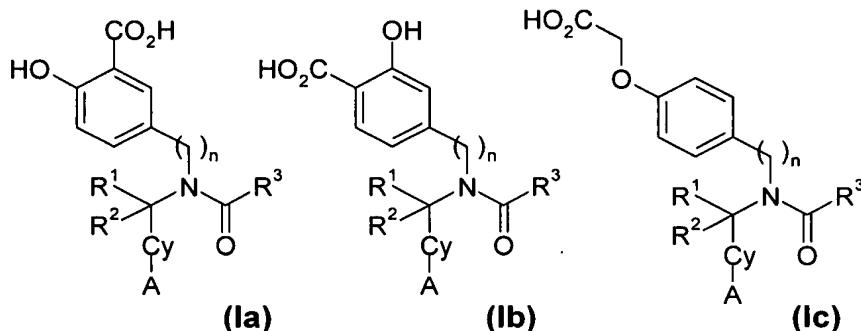
R<sup>3</sup> is selected from the group consisting of: C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl amine, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl alkoxy, aryl, heteroaryl, saturated 3-8-membered cycloalkyl, unsaturated 3-8-membered cycloalkyl, 3-8-membered heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl aryl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl heteroaryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl aryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl heteroaryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl aryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl heteroaryl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl cycloalkyl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl cycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl cycloalkyl, and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl heterocycloalkyl(i) an alkyl group optionally substituted with an amino group, or (ii) a cyclopentyl group, a cyclohexyl group, a phenyl group, or a pyridyl group, attached directly or through an alkylene group or an oxo group, and optionally substituted with a cyano group or a fluoromethyl group;

R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are each independently from each other selected from the group consisting of H, hydroxy, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl carboxy, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl carboxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkenyl carboxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkynyl carboxy, and amino, or R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> may form an unsaturated or saturated heterocyclic ring, whereby at least one of R<sup>4</sup> or R<sup>5</sup> is not a hydrogen or C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl, OH, COOH, and OCH<sub>2</sub>COOH;

to the subject in an amount sufficient to treat or prevent the at least one disorder.

**Claims 7-9 (Cancelled)**

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): An aryl dicarboxamide according to any of the formulae (Ia), (Ib) or (Ic):



wherein

A is an aminocarbonyl moiety of the formula  $-\text{CO-NHR}^6$  wherein  $\text{R}^6$  is  $\text{C}_6\text{-C}_{15}\text{-alkyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{15}\text{-alkenyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{15}\text{-alkynyl}$ , a 3-8 membered cycloalkyl,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6\text{-alkyl}$  (3-8 membered cycloalkyl), a phenyl group attached directly or through an alkylene group,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_{12}\text{-alkyl phenyl}$ ,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkenyl phenyl}$ , or  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6\text{-alkynyl phenyl}$  a phenyl-phenoxy group, or an octyl group;

Cy is an aryl, heteroaryl, aryl-heteroaryl, heteroaryl-aryl, aryl-aryl, cycloalkyl or heterocycle group, a phenyl group or a thiazole-phenyl group;

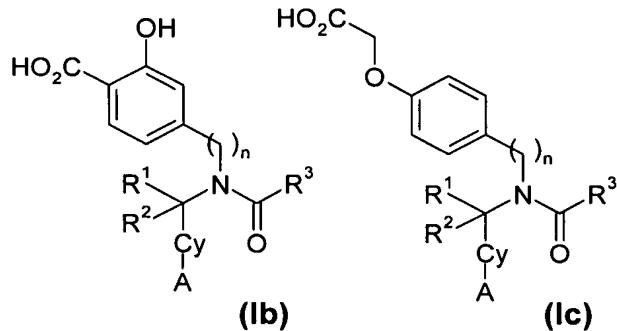
$n$  is either 0 or 1;

$R^1$  and  $R^2$  are independently from each other selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and  $C_4-C_6$  alkyl;

$R^3$  is selected from the group consisting of:  $C_4-C_6$ -alkyl,  $C_2-C_6$ -alkenyl,  $C_2-C_6$ -alkynyl,  $C_4-C_6$ -alkoxy,  $C_4-C_6$ -alkyl amine,  $C_4-C_6$ -alkyl alkoxy, aryl, heteroaryl, saturated 3-8 membered cycloalkyl, unsaturated 3-8 membered cycloalkyl, 3-8 membered heterocycloalkyl, an acyl moiety,  $C_4-C_6$  alkyl aryl,  $C_4-C_6$  alkyl heteroaryl,  $C_2-C_6$  alkenyl aryl,  $C_2-C_6$  alkenyl heteroaryl,  $C_2-C_6$  alkynyl aryl,  $C_2-C_6$  alkynyl heteroaryl,  $C_4-C_6$  alkyl

cycloalkyl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl cycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl cycloalkyl, and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl heterocycloalkyl(i) an alkyl group optionally substituted with an amino group, or (ii) a cyclopentyl group, a cyclohexyl group, a phenyl group, or a pyridyl group, attached directly or through an alkylene group or an oxo group, and optionally substituted with a cyano group or a fluoromethyl group.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): An aryl dicarboxamide according to formula (Ib) or (Ic):



wherein

A is an aminocarbonyl moiety of the formula  $-\text{CO-NHR}^6$  wherein  $\text{R}^6$  is  $\text{C}_6\text{-C}_{15}$ -alkyl,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{15}$ -alkenyl,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{15}$ -alkynyl, a 3-8 membered cycloalkyl,  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ -alkyl (3-8 membered) cycloalkyl, a phenyl group attached directly or through an alkylene group,  $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{12}$ -alkyl phenyl,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6$ -alkenyl phenyl, or a  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6$ -alkynyl phenyl-phenyl-phenoxy group, or an octyl group;

Cy is an aryl, heteroaryl, aryl-heteroaryl, heteroaryl-aryl, aryl-aryl, cycloalkyl or heterocycle group, a phenyl group or a thiazolyl-phenyl group;

n is either 0 or 1;

$R^1$  and  $R^2$  are independently from each other is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and  $C_1-C_6$  alkyl;

$R^3$  is selected from the group consisting of: ~~C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl amine, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl alkoxy, aryl, heteroaryl, saturated 3-8-membered cycloalkyl, unsaturated 3-8-membered cycloalkyl, 3-8-membered heterocycloalkyl, an acyl moiety, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl aryl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl heteroaryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl aryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl heteroaryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl aryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl heteroaryl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl cycloalkyl, C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl cycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl cycloalkyl, and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl heterocycloalkyl~~(i) an alkyl group optionally substituted with an amino group, or (ii) a cyclopentyl group, a cyclohexyl group, a phenyl group, or a pyridyl group, attached directly or through an alkylene group or an oxo group, and optionally substituted with a cyano group or a fluoromethyl group.

Claims 12-14 (Cancelled)

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): An aryl dicarboxamide selected from the group consisting of :

5-[(3-cyclopentylpropanoyl)(4-{{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)amino]-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

5-[(3-cyclopentylpropanoyl)(4-{{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)amino]-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

[4-({{{2-[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl}-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}-[(2E)-3-phenylprop-2-enoyl]amino}methyl)phenoxy]acetic acid;

5-[(3-cyclopentylpropanoyl)(4-{{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)amino]-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{(4-{{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)[4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl]amino}benzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-[[4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}-1,3-thiazol-2-yl)methyl](3-phenylpropanoyl)amino]benzoic acid;

5-{{benzoyl[(4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}-1,3-thiazol-2-yl)methyl]-amino}-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{(4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}-1,3-thiazol-2-yl)methyl}[4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl]amino}benzoic acid;

5-[(cyclohexylcarbonyl)(4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)amino]-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-[(4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)(3-phenylpropanoyl)-amino]benzoic acid;

5-{{benzoyl(4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)amino}-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

5-{{acetyl(4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)amino}-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

5-[(4-cyanobenzoyl)(4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)amino]-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-[(phenoxyacetyl)(4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)-amino]-benzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{(4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)[4-(trifluoromethyl)-benzoyl]amino}benzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{(4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)[(2E)-3-phenylprop-2-enoyl]amino}benzoic acid;

5-[(N,N-dimethylglycyl)(4-{{(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)amino]-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-[(3-methylbut-2-enoyl)(4-{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)-amino]benzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{4-[(octylamino)carbonyl]benzyl}(phenoxyacetyl)amino]methyl}-benzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{4-[(octylamino)carbonyl]benzyl}[4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl]-amino}methyl)benzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{4-[(octylamino)carbonyl]benzyl}[(2E)-3-phenylprop-2-enoyl]-amino}methyl)benzoic acid;

5-{{(3-cyclopentylpropanoyl)(4-{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)-amino}methyl}-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{(4-{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)(phenoxyacetyl)-amino}methyl}benzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{(4-{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)[4-(trifluoromethyl)-benzoyl]amino}methyl}benzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{(3-methylbut-2-enoyl)(4-{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}-benzyl)amino}methyl}benzoic acid;

5-{{(3-cyclopentylpropanoyl)(4-{[(4-phenylbutyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)-amino}methyl}-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{(4-{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}-1,3-thiazol-2-yl)methyl}[(2E)-3-phenylprop-2-enoyl]amino}methyl}benzoic acid;

[4-{{(4-{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)[4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl]-amino}methyl}phenoxy]acetic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-[(4-{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)(3-phenylpropanoyl)-amino]benzoic acid;

4-[(3-cyclopentylpropanoyl)(4-{{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)amino]-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-4-{{(4-{{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}benzyl)[4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl]amino}benzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{[2-(4-{{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}(phenoxyacetyl)amino]benzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{[2-(4-{{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}[4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl]amino}benzoic acid;

5-((6-chloropyridin-3-yl)carbonyl){[2-(4-{{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}amino)-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

5-((4-cyanobenzoyl){[2-(4-{{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}amino)-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-((3-methylbut-2-enoyl){[2-(4-{{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}amino)benzoic acid;

5-((3-cyclopentylpropanoyl){[2-(4-{{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}amino)-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{[2-(4-{{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}[4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl]amino}benzoic acid;

2-hydroxy-5-{{[2-(4-{{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}(3-phenylpropanoyl)amino]benzoic acid;

5-(benzoyl){[2-(4-{{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}amino)-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;

[4-({{{[2-(4-{{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}[4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl]amino}methyl)phenoxy]acetic acid;

(4-{{[2-(4-{{[(4-pentylbenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}(3-phenylpropanoyl)amino]methyl}phenoxy)acetic acid;

[4-{{[2-(4-{{[(4-phenylbutyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}{4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl]amino}methyl}phenoxy]acetic acid;

(4-{{[2-(4-{{[(4-phenylbutyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}(3-phenylpropanoyl)amino]methyl}phenoxy)acetic acid;

[4-{{[2-(4-{{[(4-phenylbutyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}{[(2E)-3-phenylprop-2-enoyl]amino}methyl}phenoxy]acetic acid;

{4-[((N,N-dimethylglycyl){[2-(4-{{[(4-phenylbutyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}amino)methyl}phenoxy}acetic acid;

{4-[((cyclohexylcarbonyl){[2-(4-{{[(4-phenylbutyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}amino)methyl}phenoxy}acetic acid;

{4-[((phenoxyacetyl){[2-(4-{{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}amino)methyl}phenoxy}acetic acid;

[4-{{[2-(4-{{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}{4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl]amino}methyl}phenoxy]acetic acid;

(4-{{[2-(4-{{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}(3-phenylpropanoyl)amino]methyl}phenoxy)acetic acid;

{4-[((cyclohexylcarbonyl){[2-(4-{{[(4-phenoxybenzyl)amino]carbonyl}phenyl)-1,3-thiazol-4-yl]methyl}amino)methyl}phenoxy}acetic acid;

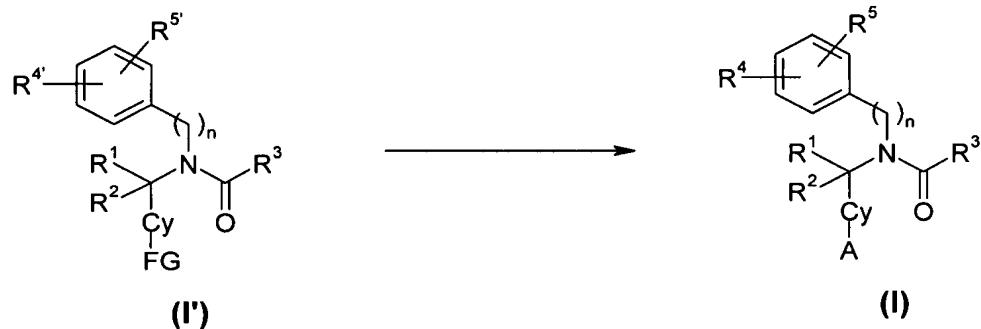
[4-{{[(2-{4-[(octylamino)carbonyl]phenyl}-1,3-thiazol-4-yl)methyl}{4-(trifluoromethyl)benzoyl]amino}methyl}phenoxy]acetic acid; and

(4-{{[(2-{4-[(octylamino)carbonyl]phenyl}-1,3-thiazol-4-yl)methyl}(3-phenylpropanoyl)amino]methyl}phenoxy)acetic acid.

Claim 16 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one aryl dicarboxamide according to claim 11 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, diluent, excipient, or combination thereof.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented): A pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one aryl dicarboxamide according to claim 10 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, diluent, excipient, or combination thereof.

Claim 18 (Withdrawn – Currently Amended): A method of preparing the aryl dicarboxamide of formula (I), comprising deprotecting, transforming, or deprotecting and transforming (I') to form the aryl dicarboxamide (Ia):



wherein FG is A or a leaving group,

wherein:

A is an aminocarbonyl moiety of the formula  $-\text{CO-NHR}^6$ , wherein  $\text{R}^6$  is  $\text{C}_6\text{-C}_{15}$  alkyl,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{15}$  alkenyl,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{15}$  alkynyl, a 3-8 membered cycloalkyl,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6$  alkyl (3-8 membered) cycloalkyl, a phenyl group attached directly or through an alkylene group,  $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_{12}$  alkyl phenyl,  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6$  alkenyl phenyl, or  $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6$  alkynyl phenyl a phenyl-phenoxy group, or an octyl group;

Cy is an aryl, heteroaryl, aryl-heteroaryl, heteroaryl-aryl, aryl-aryl, cycloalkyl or heterocycle group a phenyl group or a thiazole-phenyl group;

n is either 0 or 1;

R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> are ~~independently from each other is selected from the group consisting of~~ hydrogen and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl;

R<sup>3</sup> is selected from the group consisting of: C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl amine, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl alkoxy, aryl, heteroaryl, saturated 3-8-membered cycloalkyl, unsaturated 3-8-membered cycloalkyl, 3-8-membered heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl aryl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl heteroaryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl aryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl heteroaryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl aryl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl heteroaryl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl cycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl cycloalkyl, and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl heterocycloalkyl (i) an alkyl group optionally substituted with an amino group, or (ii) a cyclopentyl group, a cyclohexyl group, a phenyl group, or a pyridyl group, attached directly or through an alkylene group or an oxo group, and optionally substituted with a cyano group or a fluoromethyl group; and wherein

R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are each independently from each other selected from the group consisting of H, hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, carboxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl carboxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkenyl carboxy, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkynyl carboxy, and amino, or R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> may form an unsaturated or saturated heterocyclic ring, whereby at least one of R<sup>4</sup> or R<sup>5</sup> is not a hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl OH, COOH, and OCH<sub>2</sub>COOH.

Claims 19-27 (Cancelled)

Claim 28 (Withdrawn): The method of claim 6, wherein the method is a method of treating.